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NOTICE OF FILING WITNESS SUMMARY

The RESIDENTIAL UTILITY CONSUMER OFFICE ("RUCO") hereby provides notice of
filing the Witness Summary of Robert B. Mease, in the above-referenced matter.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 6th day of December, 2013.

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**SUMMARY OF THE TESTIMONY OF ROBERT B. MEASE ON BEHALF OF THE
RESIDENTIAL UTILITY CONSUMER OFFICE**

I. BACKGROUND

Mr. Mease is employed by the Arizona Residential Consumers Office ("RUCO") as the Chief of Accounting and Rates. Mr. Mease has been employed by RUCO for approximately two years and has been in his present position for three months. Mr. Mease offers testimony in the filing of Litchfield Park Service Company's, Water and Wastewater Systems revenue requirements and rate design.

The issues are as follows:

II. REVENUE REQUIREMENTS

RUCO has made adjustments to the Company's request for increase in revenues in the following areas:

(1) Declining Usage adjustments for the Water Division, (2) The allocation of bonus payments to LPSCO employees to be shared equally between the ratepayers and the shareholders. (3) APUC cost allocations to LPSCO being reduced substantially based on the derived benefit to LPSCO's ratepayers. (4) The use of a thirteen month period to calculate the balance in Customers' Meter Deposits. Using the thirteen month balance more appropriately reflects what the actual month to month balance is.

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(5) Other miscellaneous minor adjustments are recommended for both the rate base calculation as well as operating income adjustments.

III. POLICY ISSUES

RUCO offers testimony on the "Policy Adjustments" that the Company included in this filing.

(1) SIB Proposal / CSIC Proposal – RUCO continues to believe that a SIB is not in the best interest of the ratepayer. RUCO continues to disapprove of a SIB due to the increase in customer rates without a rate case, and the projects included in the Company's request for a SIB are ordinary in nature and should not be afforded special treatment.

RUCO disapproves a CSIC for the same reasons.

(2) PPAM Proposal – RUCO demonstrates in its testimony that the Company's power costs have been stable over the last three years and that a proposed Purchase power Adjustor Mechanism is unwarranted at this time.

IV. RATE DESIGN

RUCO's proposed rate design takes into account that the revenue requirements have changed from the Company's proposed revenues compared to RUCO's proposed

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revenues. RUCO also believes that the Company has increased the monthly minimum to a much higher cost than has been the norm in prior rate case approvals. RUCO continues to believe that the lower monthly fixed cost, which creates a higher cost for the commodity, is conservative in nature and leads to the consumer to be more conservative than would be if the commodity cost at the higher usage levels were lowered.